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Regional Seminar on: «Enabling Policies to Promote Financing Renewable Energy Investments»

Draft AGENDA

DAY 1: Wednesday, 19 October 2016

09:00 – 09:10 OPENING SESSION: WELCOMING WORDS & PROJECT OVERVIEW
Ms. Radia Sedaoui, Chief, Energy Section, Sustainable Development Policies Division (SDPD) – ESCWA

09:10 – 09:25 Overview of the Project & Expected Outcomes from the Seminar
Mr. Mongi Bida, SDPD - ESCWA & Mr. Viktor Badaker, SED – UNECE – Project Managers

09:25 – 13:00 SESSION 1: POLICIES AND INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORKS TO PROMOTE INVESTMENTS IN RE PROJECTS – Part 1
Chairperson/Moderator: Ms. Radia Sedaoui, Chief, Energy Section, SDPD - ESCWA

09:25 – 09:50 KEYNOTE PRESENTATION 1: “The Dynamics of Renewable Energy Policies Development: Key stakeholders, process and barriers”. Dr. Dhamir Manai, Former Member of the Tunisian Parliament, Parliamentary Advisor / Regional Director, Africa and Middle East - Climate Parliament

09:50 – 10:45 Panel Discussion 1
Presentation of ESCWA Case Study of Morocco (15 min)
Mr. Taoufik Laabi, ESCWA Consultant for Morocco Case Study
Panel Discussion ESCWA North African Sub-region (40 min)

Panelists:
Mr. Mohamed Elhouari, Director of Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency, National Agency for Development of RE & EE (ADEREE), Morocco
Dr. Dhamir Manai, Former Member of the Tunisian Parliament, Parliamentary Advisor / Regional Director, Africa and Middle East - Climate Parliament
Mr. Salaheldin Hassabelgabo Abdelrazig Ibrahim, Director, Department of Nuclear & Renewable Energy, Ministry of Water Resources & Electricity, Sudan
Ms. Jianrong Wang, Deputy Marketing Director of International Department, China Power Engineering Consulting Group Co. Ltd
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| 11:05 – 12:05 | Panel Discussion 2  
Presentation of ESCWA Case Studies of Jordan and Lebanon (20 min)  
*Dr. Jamel Jaber, ESCWA Consultant for Jordan Case Study*  
*Dr. Joseph Al Assad, ESCWA Consultant for Lebanon Case Study*  
Panel Discussion ESCWA Middle East Sub-region (40 min)  
Panelists:  
*Ms. Aurore Feghaly, General Director of Oil, Ministry of Energy & Water, Lebanon*  
*Mr. Mohammed Abdel Fattah Mofleh AlDabbas, Secretary General Assistant for Energy Affairs, Ministry of Energy and Mineral Resources, Jordan* |
| 12:05 – 13:00 | Panel Discussion 3  
Presentation of ESCWA Case Study of the United Arab Emirates (15 min)  
*Dr. Toufic Mezher, ESCWA Consultant for UAE*  
Panel Discussion ESCWA Gulf Countries’ Sub-region (40 min)  
Panelists:  
*Dr. Mostefa Ouki, Vice President Energy & Chemicals, Nexant, United Kingdom*  
*Dr. Ibrahim Abdel Gelil, KAPSARC Visiting Fellow* |
| 13:00 - 14:00 | Lunch Break                                                         |
| 14:00 – 18:00 | SESSION 2: POLICIES AND INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORKS TO PROMOTE INVESTMENTS IN RE PROJECTS – Part 2  
Chairperson/Moderator: Mr. Viktor Badaker, Project Manager, SED - UNECE |
| 14:00 – 14:25 | KEYNOTE PRESENTATION 2: Mr. Yuechun Yi, Deputy Director-General, China Renewable Energy Engineering Institute, P.R. China |
| 14:25 – 15:35 | Panel Discussion 4  
Presentation of UNECE Case Study of Ukraine (15 min)  
*Mr. Roman Podolets, Ukraine*  
Presentation of UNECE Case Study of Serbia (15 min)  
*Mr. Milan Ristanović, Serbia*  
Panel Discussion UNECE Eastern and South-East Europe Sub-regions (40 min)  
Panelists:  
*Mr. Volodymyr Lyaschenko, Project Manager, UNDP GEF Bioenergy project in Ukraine*  
*Mr. Kostiantyn Gura, Acting Director of Green Investment Development Center, State Agency on Energy Efficiency and Energy Saving of Ukraine*  
*Ms. Maja Matejic, UNDP Programme Manager, Bioenergy project in Serbia*  
*Mr. Sergiu Robu, Energy Planning Expert, Academy of Sciences of Moldova, Institute of Energy* |
15:35 – 16:05  **Coffee Break**

16:05 – 17:15  **Panel Discussion 5**  
Presentation of UNECE Case Study of Georgia (15 min)  
*M. George Abulashvili, Georgia*  
Presentation of UNECE Case Study of Kazakhstan (15 min)  
*M. Maulit Abenov, Kazakhstan*  
Panel Discussion UNECE Central Asia and the Caucasus Sub-regions (40 min)  
Panelists:  
*M. Fagan Abrukhmanov, State Agency on Alternative and Renewable Energy Sources of Azerbaijan, Bioenergy Project in Azerbaijan*  
*M. Romen Zakhidov, Head of the Department Academy of Sciences, Institute of Power Engineering of Academy of Sciences*  
*M. Shamil Dikambaev, Head of the Laboratory, Senior researcher, Kyrgyz Science Technical Centre “Energy”*  
*M. Chingiz Mammadov, UNDP Azerbaijan Senior Programme Advisor, Renewable Energy in Azerbaijan*  
*Ms. Nino Antadze, Team Leader, Energy and Environment Portfolio, UNDP Georgia*

17:15 – 18:00  **Wrap-up and Concluding Remarks**
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**DAY 2: Thursday, 20 October 2016**

11:50 – 13:00 **SESSION 3:**

Concluding Session of the Regional Seminar on: «Enabling Policies to Promote Financing Renewable energy Investments»

Lessons learned from Case studies on policy reforms conducted in ESCWA and UNECE member Countries

**Chairperson/Moderator:** Mr. Manlio Coviello, Chief, Natural Resources & Energy Unit, ECLAC

- Presentation of lessons learned from ESCWA case studies (15 min)
- Presentation of lessons learned from UNECE case studies (15 min)
- Panel Discussion on the role of policy reforms in promoting RE investments (40 min)

**Panelists:**

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Dr. Dhamir Manai, Former Member of the Tunisian Parliament, Parliamentary Advisor / Regional Director, Africa and Middle East - Climate Parliament

Mr. Aleksandar Dukovski, Director, Energy Agency of the Republic of Macedonia, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

Mr. Emmanuel Bergasse, Energy Economist, Independent Expert, France

Mr. Shamil Huseynov, Head of Division, Committee on Natural Resources, Energy and Ecology under the National Assembly of Azerbaijan